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EDUCATION AND EMPLOYMENT PROGRAMMES FOR WOMEN
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Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government had formulated any programmes for providing education as well as scope for employment for the welfare of poor, widow and destitute women in the country;

(b) if so, the details of programmes thereof, State-wise;

(c) the details of the centres in which these programmes are operating, State-wise;

(d) the number of women have been benefited during each of the last three years, State-wise;

(e) the reasons for slow progress of these programmes during the said period; and

(f) the details of the funds allocated during the Tenth Five Year Plan and the funds out of them utilized so far by each State?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI RENUKA CHOWDHURY)

(a) Yes Sir. The objective of the scheme of condensed Courses of Education for Women is to provide educational opportunities to women and adolescent girls who are school dropouts or who had no opportunity to join formal education system. Under the Scheme, education is provided for Primary, Middle and Matric level courses. The target group of programme is women from economically weaker sections including widows and destitute women. The programme does not specifically aims to provide employment to women.

(b),(c)&(d) A Statement showing the details of the centers, number of women benefited during last three years, State-wise, is Annexed.

(e) The progress of the programme during the last three years is not slow as the total funds allocated during the last three years for this programme were fully utilized.

(f) An amount of Rs. 24.00 crore was allocated for the scheme during the Tenth Five Year Plan. The information about the funds utilized so for by each State is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.